



TUNRA Bulk Solids Industry Placement Scholarship

BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY OF KEY CONDITIONS

If accepting an offer of this scholarship, you will:

- Maintain your full-time enrolment and academic progress with the University of Newcastle for the duration of the scholarship.
- Have an interest in completing our industry required hours with TUNRA
- Notify scholarships@newcastle.edu.au of any changes to your circumstances - such as reduced study load, change in program, or withdrawal from study – which may impact your eligibility for this scholarship.
- Agree to write a message of thanks to the donor via email to Donor-Relations@newcastle.edu.au within 2 weeks of accepting your offer, and
- Be available for a presentation ceremony during Scholars Week events (usually around September).

This scholarship is up to a maximum term of 4 years provided ongoing eligibility.

ESTABLISHMENT

The Industry Placement Scholarship Scheme is focused on recruiting and supporting talented students within the Faculty of Engineering and the Built Environment. The aim of the scheme is to developing future industry leaders across the full range of disciplines within the Faculty. This current scholarship strives to contribute to this aim in Mechanical or Mechatronics Engineering.

The Scholarship offers financial support to students commencing in the Faculty's Industry Placement undergraduate program in Mechanical or Mechatronics Engineering. As a part of their commitment, TUNRA will provide the opportunity for the recipient to undertake industry placements (as required by their program) over the duration of their studies.

TUNRA Bulk Solids offers services for all industries dealing with bulk solid materials. Each year, TUNRA Bulk Solids completes between 200 and 250 major industrial consultancy projects which cover the entire spectrum of applications related to bulk solids handling, transportation and storage. In parallel with commercial contract research and consulting activities, TUNRA Bulk Solids provides a mechanism for technology transfer by research output and ensuring the expertise gained is widely disseminated and utilised by industry worldwide. The strength of TUNRA Bulk Solids lies in its links with the Discipline of Mechanical Engineering and the School of Engineering at the University of Newcastle.

FUNDING ARRANGEMENT

This is a donor-funded scholarship from **TUNRA**.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible to apply for this scholarship, you will need to:

- Be enrolled in 1st year of the Industry Placement version of a Bachelor of Mechatronics Engineering or Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering undergraduate degree at the University of Newcastle, Callaghan Campus.
- Be enrolled, or intend to enroll, full-time in this degree program.
- Not be the recipient of any other donor-funded scholarship concurrently.

- Be an Australian Citizen or Permanent Resident.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

As part of your application, you will need to prepare:

- A personal statement (approx. 1 A4 page) outlining your academic achievements, career aspirations in the relevant area of study, and how this scholarship would assist you.
- An outline of your interest in the scholarship and associated future opportunities with this Industry partner. You will also have the option to provide documents supporting your community leadership claims and academic achievements.
- A current curriculum vitae

Any applicant that does not submit the required documentation, including documentary evidence, will not be considered for selection.

SELECTION

Selection is a competitive process and will follow a two stage process;

1. The establishment of a shortlist based on assessment of the scholarship application and supporting documents, followed by,
2. An interview of shortlisted candidates by a selection panel.

The selection panel will consist of a minimum of 3 members including an academic member of university staff as Discipline Representative and a representative from the Sponsor Company. Applications will be ranked against the following criteria:

- Demonstrated academic performance,
- Demonstrated interest and aptitude in the discipline, and,
- Performance at interview.

Where there are no eligible applicants after a maximum of two rounds per year then the scholarship will not be offered for that year.

The Selection Committee will communicate the details of successful recipients to the delegated Scholarships Officer, and all applicants will be notified of an outcome via email. This will occur within 6 weeks of the scholarship close date.

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

If accepting this scholarship, you agree to the following conditions:

- The scholarship is tenable for a maximum duration of **four years**. The scholarship must be taken up in the year for which it was awarded, unless otherwise specified.
- The scholar shall continue to meet all eligibility criteria specified in clause 3.0, with the addition that they maintain full-time enrolment in the Industry Placement version of their undergraduate program.
- This scholarship is subject to semester review. Continuation of the scholarship and payment of the scholarship benefit are subject to the scholar maintaining satisfactory academic progress demonstrated by a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 5.0 or higher.
- Continuation of the scholarship is also conditional on satisfactory performance during all industry placements as required by the program of study. This performance will be judged by the Discipline Representative through assessment of Industry Placement reports.
- Where a scholar has withdrawn from studies after payment of the scholarship in any semester, the scholar may be required to return the benefit they received for the semester within which it was paid.
- The scholar shall not be required by the donor or the University to undertake employment as a condition of award of the scholarship.

BENEFIT

The Industry Placement Scholarship provides a benefit of \$10,000 per annum for up to four years to be paid in two equal lump sums following the Semester 1 and Semester 2 census dates each year.

As a part of the Industry Placement Scholarship, TUNRA will also provide the successful applicant the opportunity to undertake all industry placements within their workplace in order to satisfy the requirements of their degree program.

PERIODS OF LEAVE

You may apply in writing to scholarships@newcastle.edu.au for consideration to reserve your scholarship if you are unable to study due to illness, injury, or other extenuating circumstances. An application must be supported by documentary evidence.

Periods of approved leave for the scholarship:

- must not exceed two consecutive semesters of study; and
- will not be counted towards the term of the scholarship.

TERMINATION

Unless terminated earlier, the scholarship will end when the term has expired and the total benefit has been paid. A scholarship shall terminate before its due date of conclusion when:

- the scholar ceases to meet the eligibility criteria in clause 3.0,
- the maximum duration of the scholarship has been reached,
- the scholar completes study and/or ceases to be a student with the University,
- the University determines that the scholar has committed serious misconduct,
- the scholar failed to maintain satisfactory academic progress, including performance during industry placements, or
- the Sponsor Company chooses to withdraw support.

When termination is likely due to poor academic performance, the Discipline Representative will be advised by Scholarships Office prior to termination and will undertake the most appropriate action in consultation with the Sponsor Company.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATION

As a scholarship recipient, if you are unable to meet the conditions of the scholarship due to illness, injury or other extenuating circumstances, you may apply for special consideration. Please apply by writing to the Scholarships Officer via email to scholarships@newcastle.edu.au. Please provide appropriate documentary evidence to support your request.

A decision will be made by Student Central Scholarships staff in consultation with the Office of Alumni & Philanthropy.

PRIVACY AND COLLECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

If applying for a donor-funded scholarship, the application or a summary of information provided with the application may be provided to an external donor and/or their representative. This is for the purpose of scholarship selection and otherwise to inform the donor that the terms of the donation are met.

You may be asked by the Scholarships Officer if you give permission for any short articles or newsletter items to be published. You may have the option to provide a photo, quote and or short paragraph about yourself for this.

The University of Newcastle is committed to the protection of your personal information and privacy. The University will only disclose your personal information to the extent necessary for the purpose of the provision of this scholarship (including scholarship selection and assessing ongoing eligibility requirements).

When applying, please review the Declaration and Authority at the start of your application which includes additional information in relation to privacy and the collection of personal information and links to the University of Newcastle [Privacy Management Plan](#), [Web Privacy Statement](#), and [UAC Privacy Policy](#).

The University reserves the right to make amendments to these terms and conditions without prior notice.

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